

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

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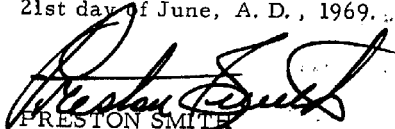
June 21, 1969

I disapprove and veto House Bill 17 which permits the county commissioners court of any county within a certain population bracket to authorize a county commissioner, under certain circumstances, to use county employees and equipment to construct and maintain private roads in his precinct, provided the county is paid for such use.

I disapprove of this bill because I consider it an unwise use of public property and public employees for private use. Moreover, the Attorney General of Texas recently declared unconstitutional a bracket bill almost identical to House Bill 17, on the ground that it was in violation of Article III, Section 56 of the Texas Constitution (Opinion No. M-404, May 26, 1969).


House Bill 17 was received on May 26, 1969, less than ten days prior to the adjournment of the Regular Session of the 61st Legislature. In accordance with Article IV, Section 14 of the Texas Constitution, I am filing this proclamation, together with the bill, in the office of the Secretary of State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused the Seal of State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this the 21st day of June, A. D., 1969.


PRESTON SMITH

GOVERNOR OF TEXAS

By the Governor


Secretary of State

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE
9:50 AM O'CLOCK

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Secretary of State